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### A DECAYING POLICY.

The Kansas City Star recently called attention to the omission in President Mc-Kinley's speech before the Home Market good of the greatest number? club in Boston a few weeks since of any reference to production, although his hosts iectionist organization in the country.

The Star remarked that no one supposes that Mr. McKinley and the Home Market theories, but that the fact that the tariff policy was not discussed on the occasion

The reason for this, our Kansas City contemporary thinks, is that the consider ation of grave international questions is broadening the vision of the Nation and possibly leading us to see that we must drop much of our narrow selfishness to our economic policies, if we are really to take our place among the nations as "a world power." The Star proceeds:

venrid power." The Star proceeds:

The United Stares is at the threshold of a new era, in which it will be constantly getting in closer touch with the affairs of the world, and the problems relating to this new condition will be largely problems of commerce. The contary is entering into the contest for the trade of the Orient. Congress will best promote the welfare and develop the industries of the Nation's new dependencies. It will have before it the example of other nations, and the lesson is plain on every side that those colonies where there has been the greatest progress. The United States must stand side by side with England in demanding an "open door in their must also maintain as "open door" in the island dependencies which have come under its control. Already the president has but in operation in Cuba and Porto Rico tariff systems. In purpose of which is primarily to yield revenue, and, secondarily, to enable the needs of those islands to buy the machiners and the other articles necessary for their development at the lesset possible extense.

anding fair trade to the Grient and unobligations to maintain the utmost free-of trade in the new Island dependencies, can the United States logically continue to maintain abourd harriers at home against the trade of the world?

tariff people are losing, in accomplished ments which for so lang payvad them. The American manufactures is competing a good reputation. so specessfully and so extensively in all turer, that he not only can not consistently ask for protection here against forstill want protection and will still advocate that policy, but they are being forced to recognize and admit the fact that selfishness, pure and simple, is the only basis for their claims.

After many years the democratic doctrine of a tariff for revenue only seems likely to become the policy of this country, without serious opposition except from a handful of citizens, comparatively, whose only reason for opponing it will be so ovidently a grossly selfish and grasping one that their protests will fail to influence any considerable portion of the sentiment

### INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

One of the Items of the rivers and harbors bill passed by the late congress was an appropriation of \$800,000 for the improvement of a river in Alabama which, when opened up, will give easy water transportation from the coal and iron fields of North Alabama to the gulf coast at Mobile and assist in revolutionizing condi-

tions in our gulf coast cities. The coal fields to be reached are rich and inexhaustible. Now they are practically as far from the gulf coast as are the fields in Ohio and Pennsylvania and West Virginia The rates of transportation at present are so high that in our gulf coast cities we are paying exorbitant prices for coal. This fuel is so necessary to the industrial development and the business development of cities in these latter days, that when it is only obtained at rates ranging from \$5.50 to \$7 per ton for soft and from \$12 to \$15 per ton for hard coal, factories tou often remain unbuilt, the poor suffer and ausiness and industries are seriously at-

ected in many lines. The chief factor in the problem is trans etation charges. When it becomes pos-ole to send coal down the Warrior river surges to Mobile, and in small coastwisbring it to the wharves at Galves on or Houston, the days of high cont. m w know them, will be gone from The eaving to a po

ama can and will cover the docks and harves at Mobile with hundreds of thousands of tons of as good and as cheap coal as can be had anywhere. Water competition against the railroads will work the hig revolution in the trade.

CURRENCE OF COMMENCE OF COMMEN

It is in this way that we got the returns upon the money we spend as a people on the improvement of our rivers and erbors. The perfection of a system of navigable interior waterways is of as much importance as the improvement of the harbors along the coasts. The biggest problem before the internal commerce of the country today is the transportation question and about the only way to solve it is by generous improvement of our rivers

When the Southern coal and fron fields are put within easy reach of the coast cities through such improvements as have been mentioned, we may not only expect cheaper fuel but the upbuilding of large iron mills and shipyards and a general rivalry with the Eastern cities in all lines of manufacture. Southern representatives can not too enthusiastically support the policy of internal improvements which now has ceased to be a party question and become a fixed means for National delevopment. No section has more to gain from this policy than the South-if we are but

GOVERNMENT SCANDALS AND THE

treated fairly.

Must we allow all kinds of frauds to be perpetrated upon the government, all kinds of corruption to exict in high places and all kinds of 'njustics to be done the country rather than injure any big private interest by calling attention to sore spots and seeking to have them cured; Are we running our government for the special benefit of the few, or the greates

It exhausts the patience of all lovers of good government to hear the continued at the banquet composed the strongest pro- plaint that to uncover abuses is to strike a blow at this or that industry. What are we to do-submissively sit silent and permit scamps of every description, inside club have abandoned their protective tariff and outside of office, to rob the public at will and prostitute government to their own personal aggrandizement? Is there referred to indicates that the subject is to be no more honesty or decency in the losing interest even in the house of list management of public affairs, if honesty and decency would interfere with the gains of some powerful private interest?

One of the latest papers to intimate fear that the investigation of the beef seandal is unfortunate because likely to injure the cattle and meat business, is a Southern paper, from which we would have looked for a demand for a thorough, fearless exposure rather than a mere commercial view of the question.

The Savannah News says:

The packers say that General Miles' charges have cost the farmers who raise cattle and the meat pickers more than the war with Spain cost the government. That is an exaggerated statement. Still, it is undoubtedly true that General Miles struck the cattle and meat business a blow which was extremely costly to those engaged in it. The effects of his charges will continue to be fell by that business for a long time. The future to costain his charges will have General Miles in the estimation of the country more than the loss of a great battle would.

As a matter of fact. General Miles did The Savannah News savs:

As a matter of fact, General Miles did not strike the costly "blow at the cattle and meat business." That blow was struck by the packers themselves when they unloaded millions of pounds of rotten meat upon the army under "rush orders," or contracts, made by Eagan. General Miles simply called attention to the fraude, and the packers and the commissary department are responsible for the talking so much about politica in our schools, through congress, just in that way than consequences to the cattle and meat busi- lock either the courage or the industry to any other man who ever sat in the White ness. Mi'es did his duty only, and the risks the proper showing of the faith which fariff among the protectionists. Another ficial was brave and patriotic enough to and possibly better one is that the high raise a voice of protest. When a man of

If any officials are guilty of striking foreign lands with the foreign manufa .- this "blow" at the cattle and meat hustness. Alger and Eagan are the men. The testimony of Major Smith, long the army eign competition, but is ceasing to feel the purchasing agent at Chicago, shows that large rush orders were received from Washington for beef that was never inspected and that was of a kind never used before in the army; that old canned meat that had been sent to Liverpool and that had lain there for years was bought recklessly and reshipped here; that the occest business management amounting to criminal negligence was the rule, and that the contractors and Alger and Eagan acted without any reference to safeguards of any kind

The testimony as reported in full in the Chicago papers showed conduct that calls for the severest condemnation by the people, regardless of the men or the interests "burt." Money and "commercial interests" may be the gods of a large class of people in this country, but we still deny that they are the most sacred objects for National concern. If we can not correct government abuses we might as well turn the rascals in and give them a full power of atterney to do as they please.

In putting in a word for the recention the largest guns on our warships the Omaha Bee says that it "was a twelve-inch shell that sunk the Reine Christian, while the ays, although riddled by five-inch shells, showed no signs of surrender until one tennch shot from the Texas made her haut down her flag and give up the fight." The only o)ection to this argument is that the Reine Christina was sunk by Dewey's fleet that did not have a twelve-luch or ten-inch gun in the whole outfit, and that there is no ten-inch gun on the Texas. The interior editor in this country in discussing naval matters mixes his guns and the various types of warships with an amusing ignorance that is only equalled by his positiveness of assertion.

New York helocaust appears to ofsh another indictment against the elgarette

nel William J. Bryan will be 25 years The distinguished champ sental vigor and bids fair to play even nt rele in American public life as he grown older than he has heretofore There will be for less uncasiness in rtain sections a year hence as to the ma-

orly of his judgment than three years ago. The big hetel fire to New York City Friday demonstrated that the spirit of heroism

many thrilling rescues displayed the same SOME VIEWS AT WASHINGTON ble forgetfulness of self to the discharge of duty that inspired our men who carried the

fing up San Juan hill at Santiago just year Can it be possible that General Otia is holding back General Lawton for fear that Some of the big men and some of the deep-somebody's honors may be divided? est thinkers in this country are beginning

The possible course of Reed and Roosevelt is said to be worrying the McKinley clique. to rapidly arrive at the conclusion that That would be a contest of brains and inde- the only salvation for this country lies pendence against money and machinery, and judging from the usual results of such conflicts in this country, Mr. McKinley might ing confidently to the future.

It is said that the Cuban generals can do there's only about two privates to the gen-

Our neighbors, the Mexicans, pay but little seizes the Americans. In Manifa also the natives have a way of walking around nonchalantly with the disease.

Of course Gomes will want to be the first San Domingo, it would be remarkable if he were content with his Cuban experiences in the bush.

Notwithstanding the assurance of the New Orleans health authorities that no quaranlooked after.

Under the amendment to the uniform text of "Much Ado About Nothing" and "All's Well That Ends Well.

Samoan islands, to escape the hurricane sea on there butt ten years are two German and two American warships west down to Apia harbor in a hurricane and the Germana appear to remember the fact keenly.

The governors of five States are to be at the Port Arthur celebration. In a year or so Houston will give these dignitaries and a faw more of the same kind another chance to see how Texas can paint a good town red. The idea that regular army officers are

conspiring to get General Joe Whesler out dream. Why not let the little general rest as a bere without trying to martyrize him?

Texas ought to be showing a far more de-

demand for home factories.

NOTE AND COMMENT,

Houston is considerably stirred up over the proposition to so amend the charter as to provide for the divorcement of the public schools from politics and for an elective board of trustees to have full management of the schools. Singular to relate, some of the Houstonians do not favor the change because there are local politicians who think they need the public schools in their business.—San Antonio

A great many of the best and most thoughtful people of Houston favored Mr. Kittrell's amendment, which sought to segregate the a bribe with scorn and indignation still cublic schools from municipal politics, but accept positions for relatives and consider the trouble is they did not take the putos to that they have done no wrong and have make their wishes known at Austin, either not placed themselves under any sort of through petition or delegation. The result obligations to the dispenser of this palarge delogation hended by the mayor and other city officials, the committee killed the kittrell amendment, very largely through dr. ley. He has smoothed over more rough fault. It serves those people right who, wall, places and got more things that he wanted country should be congrutulated that in they profess. The Post is disgusted with the whole crowd of them-they deserve it over, and run over good and hard

It is current talk at Austin that Mr. Hogg ay take it into his head to be a candidate for governor next year, but the following from esion" unother and a different shoot;

it looks as if they are getting things back o where Hogg found them when first elected thoracy general. When convinced at this out, it will be the supreme test of this Guiver so many Lilliputs are shooting arrows its. When that

checked. I'll lay down my \$50,000 practice, and at the proper time abnounce myself a candidate for atterney general. I'll be elected, or, and don't you forget it. And the way the cr will fly will astonish the natives. As attentive general, I'd show 'em whether the state or the corporations is boss!"

And he said it as if he meant every word of the corporations.

It may be remarked that Texas Farmer to very close to Mr. Hogg in fact, closer to him than most anybody else in Texas.

+ + + Calveston always has a club up or the rest of the State, imagining that at lexas is jenious of her advantages. Galves on overrates herself, for she is not in it with

Galveston has not acted nice in this deep water campaign, but she has been quite vigorously spanked and, maybe, she will neraelf in future. +++

If the present legislature does not grant the press of Texas a just libel law, the papers chould organize and lay dows in the middle of the road. They can make it very warm for the blockadors if they want to—Contains in-

It is a fact, singular as it may appear, that the men who are always quickest to oppose the newspapers are the most persistent such. ers after favors from the newspapers. werm may turn," after awhile.

To which the Henderson Times replies: It was not a fight against Who eler, but it was a ourageous stand for the constitution of this Republic, which Bulley had sworn to opey and defend, and which no man can oppose

(BY C. A. EDWARDS.) Washington, Margeh 16 .- (Staff Special.)

est thinkers in this country are beginning

to rapidly arrive at the conclusion that ndence against money and muchinery, and in the democratic party and the policies it advocates and the principles it preaches just as well go on onjoying himself and trus . today. Amid all the cheap skate politicians and meretricious statesmanship that exist here in Washington there are a few really anything with the Cuban privates. They ought big men and among the biggest and broadto be able to show this absolute control- est stands the Hon, Henry M. Teller of Colorado, Senator Teller is not only a big man, he is also a wise man and an honest one. When his party left what he considmore attention to smallpex than we do to ered the road that leads to good governbad colds and the mortality is rarely large. ment, deserted the people for the trusts. The chief danger must be in the fright which and combines, and irrevocably linked its fortunes with the money power, this wise, good, honest man hesitated not one mo ment to turn his back upon the political associations of a life-time and fight bitpresident of Cuba. A coldler of fortune from terriy and with all his might those with whom he had previously marched shoulder to shoulder. When that kind of man tells me anything I am compelled to believe him honest in his statement, and when I tine questions would be asked, the First know his wonderful ability I am also com-Louisians is to be taken to Savannah to be polied to give it the most serious considmustered out. The railroads as well as the eration. The Hon. Henry M. Teller told traveling allowance of the boys must be me today that the only hope for this country lay in the democratic party. He said that of all the big men in the republican book bill. Texas cities are practically left party who are now in public life only just where they were before-another case about half a dozen of them had any conscience left. Among them he mentioned the name of Senator William E. Chandler The German gunboat Falke has left Apia, of New Hampshire. He said that Chandler was hopest and that it was only a matter of a short time until Chandler would stand where he now stands, not only from the standpoint of a bimetallist, but also in opposition to the trusts and combines of the country. It is the most natural thing in the world for all honest, patriotic, unselfish men to gravitate to the democratic party. And he intimated to me very strongly that if they did not do so, and by united effort crush out the monstrous of the army is probably a repertorial pipe- practices of the republican party everything would end in chaos and revolution. Some people have called me a pessimist There's a lot of Houston money standing and an alarmist for saying the same thing. in its own light these days when there is a and I don't think I am. I certainly would not call Mr. Tellar one, would you? Yet, he talked in a gloomier strain of the fuermined spirit than is now manifest to manu- ture than ever 1 did. Things have now facture a big pertien of its cotton crop the come to the parting of the ways and all coming season. There is little business some those who are not with us are against rect. No election in Delaware, Utah and in giving away possible profits to strangers. us. You can't stop a blizzard by simply hanging out a weather report that it is going to be fair. One of the worst signs of the times is

the tendency of men in high position to either wink at the practices of the republican party or openly advocate them simply because they have been given something they wanted for some member of their raspective families. Men who would spurn opposition being represented by a trouage. Well, they have, and no man knows it better than one William McKin-House. He is a past master at the art of greasing things with patronage. His lates notable feat of that kind is his list of sec ond lieutenants appointed yesterday. In A little more foolishness on the part of the that list appears the name of John W. Daniel, Jr., of Virginia, The senator, his egislature, and especially the senate, and the copie may demand a rindication of James 2. father, says he did not ask for this place orial chair.—Greenville Herald.

Daniel, Jr., of Virginia. The senator, his father, says he did not ask for this place orial chair.—Greenville Herald. for his son. That makes no difference. He what he should not have done. It is absolutely and entirely inconsistent with the of the senate and elsewhere, and places him, in my estimation, in a very unenviable light to say the least. Just such things hurt the democratic party. They rob us of a great big club with which to a beat out the brains of the opposition. Things have come to a pretty pass when distinguished men like Senator Daniel. who stands high in the councils of the democratic party, accept favors from the high priest of trusts and monopolies and thus place themselves under obligations to him. If the senator wanted to be consistent he should have turned that appointment over to some son of a constituent who was poor and who needed the place a good deal worse than his son. It is thus that the pure stream of democracy is muddled by the republican patronage mill. The flotsam and jetsam from this mill will yet damage the democratic craft,

The republicans here in official circles are ripping mad at Senator Bill Chandler on account of his recent fulminations against the trusts. They say he is supplying the democratic party with an excellent brand of this city. The deep water at the where a of the this city. The deep water at the where at the many at Calveston is the gift of the National congress, and with the same or half the amount of momey expended at Araness Pass there would be more shipping facilities there than Calveston will ever enjoy. The Buffale bayou improvement is going to hurt bad.—San Antonio Light.

Excellent brand of campaign ammunition for use in the campaign of 1900, and ammunition, too, which many believe will go a long way toward preventing the election of McKinley or any republicant candidate next year. It is a fact campaign ammunition for use in the campaign of lican candidate next year. It is a fact, and I state it without fear of successful contradiction, that more gigantic trusts have been organized during the two years of McKinley's administration than were in existence up to the time of its beginning. Now, let some sapient republican take a fall out of that statement and I'll paralyze him with the proofs. The trusts know who their friends are and are making hav while the republican sun shines. This has got to be one of the main issues next The year and the republican party will be placed in the attitude of defending the trusts. Senator Chandler has never been much of an admirer of McKinley and has more than once made caustic flings at Mark Hanna. It is generally believed that Chandler has been selected to lead a movement in the republican party looking to the prevention of the renomination of McKinley by the next National republican convention. How that may be I do not know, but I do know that he has given the McKinley administration a few shots that will hold it for awhile and create a



(Proprietor of the Chicago Tribune, Who Died in San Antonio Last Thursday.)

bunch of bother in its trust department. More power to his elbow.

The disgraceful scenes in nearly all the States that have elected and attempted to elect senators this winter furnish the changed in any particular. If there is strongest possible arguments in favor of the election of senators by the people di-California and hardly a chance of election in Pennsylvania means that four seats will remain vacant for the next two years. This is regarded as particularly unfortunate in administration circles, for during that period some of the most important problems of statesmanship and public policy will have to be solved.

The most flagrant scandals have occurred in Delaware, Utah, Pennsylvania, California and Montana. Of these, three have republican majorities and two democratic majorities. It will thus be seen that the republicans are not the only offenders against decency in politics. The only one of these States that has succeeded in electing a senator is Montana, and that one a democrat, elected by republicans, who comes here reeking with rottenness. If this doesn't result in a constitutional amendment to elect senators by the direct vote of the people, then we have become case-hardened to fraud and corruption, and we may as well blow our blessed conrepublican business permanently and give McKinley all the titles I suggested for him the other day

### TEXAS NEWSPAPERS

The Colorado Citizen, published at Columbus by Mr. Ben M. Baker, recently entered upon its thirty-seventh volume. The Citizen was utterances of Senator Daniel on the floor continuously, except during the civil war, Army of Northern Virginia. There is no weekly paper in Texas that presents a neater amore powerful influence in matters political sons from her majesty's path. and otherwise than this excellent publication Such newspapers as the Citizen create a good impression of the State in which they are published and of the county which supports

hachte Enterprise was recently issued. The Enterprise is one of those clean, newsy, enterprising country weeklies of which this State can boast of so many, and reflects credit on Texas in general and Waxabachie and Eilis county in particular. The Enterprise has been quite a factor in the upbuilding of its city and county. Mr. W. J. Bule is the editor of the paper, and the editorial columns of the Enterprise are indeed interesting, and especially so were his articles from the State capital sent to his paper while he was temporarily located at Austin

The first number of the Texas Guide, of Fort Worth, which has been in contemplation some time, has been issued. Measrs. W. B. Paddock, T. O. Bateman and Graham Young are the directors of the enterprise. The publishers may that the paper has for its main object the threefold purpose of encouraging comotive enterprise, home industry and imneigration. The Guide proposes to furnish fects concerning Fort Worth and Northwest Texas to the outside world to induce settlers to locate in that spotion.

The Texas City Item.

To the Editor of The Post. Houston, Texas, March 18 .- I find that many citizens of Houston are under the impression that the appropriation for the channel to Texas City is in the same mixed condition that the Houston bill is, and that it depends on some future action on the part of engineers. As there are many of your citizens interested, and as the erroneous impression was caused by an article in The Post from your Washington correspondent, I suggest that you publish the act as it passed congress and became the law. The law reads as follows:

Deepening the channel from Galveston sarbor to Texas City, Texas.—The secre-ary of war is hereby authorized to enter nto a contract or contracts for deepening he present channel north of Pelican is-and from Galveston harbor to Texas City. Texas, to a depth of twenty-five feet and one hundred feet wide at the bottom, at a cost not to exceed \$250,000, of which amount \$100,000 shall be paid whenever it shall satisfactorily amount. hall satisfactorily appear to the secretary

twenty-one feet, and the remainder of the price shall be paid when the whole work has been completed in a manner satisfac-tory to the secretary of war. The above is the bill as originally put

changed in any particular. If there is anything omitted from the bill that should have been in it. I will take the responsibility as it now stands as presented to the committee, having passed all the committees and both houses without any amendment. Yours truly,
J. R. Myers.

POINTS ABOUT PEOPLE.

A movement has been started for the erection of a granite monument to Noah Webster in West Hartford, Conn., his

Colonel Edmond Bainbridge, the super intendent of the Royal laboratory at Wool wich, who has been made head of the ord-nance factories, ontered the royal artil-lery in 1890, and has been associated with Woolwich in various capacities for many years.

Dr. Merrill E. Gates, late president of Amherst college, is to succeed General Eliphalet Whittlesey as secretary of the board of Indian commissioners. He has been a member of the board of Indian ners for a number of years, and its president.

It is reported from Vienna that Dr. Schenck, who recently promulgated a theory about the prenatal determination of sex in human beings, is to be disciplined by the senate of the Vienna university for securing so much newspaper notoriet

The election of M. Lavedan to occup fauteuil left vacant by the death of Mellhac made complete, for the first time in a quarter of a century, the number of the Forty Immortals. On January 4, how-ever, the death of Edouard Herve reduced the membership of the academy to thirty nine

The downger empress of China is re ported to have bestowed the famous "Shang Fand" sword on Tsai Chi, prince when the proprietors were serving the Con- of Tuan. The peculiarity of this sword is federacy as members of Hood's brigade in the that it confers the right to behead any person without appealing to the throne. The bestowal of it is understood to imply obnoxious per-It is said that the late Earl Poulett once

handed his physician 400 guineas of gold in payment of a bill, at the same time asking the doctor if he knew how to grow rich. Upon receiving a negative reply the earl admonished his medical advisor never to pay an account by check, but always in coin. "The more you look at your money," he added, "the less you will be inclined to part with it.

### SOME POSTSCRIPTS

The worn-out uniforms of the British rmy, when sold, bring back into the war office treasury close upon \$150,000 a year Sweden is building a new navy. Its sixth ship of the new type, the Nord, is just recelving its guns and final equipment. It is a coast defense vessel of 3500 tons. The British Congregational Year Book

for 1\$30 shaws that there are now 4815 churches in the British isles and 3122 minof whom 258 are temporarily without charge. .

There is a growing demand for wind mills and hand pumps of the latest and most improved pattern in Mexico. They are admitted free of duty by the Mexican gov-

In one small township in North Caro-lina, Southern Pines, 4,000,000 pounds of fruit were shipped to Northern markets in 1898. It was all raised by Northern in-valids living there for their health. Bullock county, Alabama, may be said

strongly democratic. At the last State election in Alabama there were 1122 cemocratic, 5 populist and no republican votes cast in Bullock county. The American Bible society circulates

the Scriptures in ninety-six tongues, bo-sides our own speech, twenty-eight Euro-pean, thirty-nine Asiatic, eight Oceanic. sine African, nine American Indian and South American languages and dia-

Referred to the War Department Navasota Patriot.

We would like to know what was the use of sending the soldiers "embalmed beef" when good bacon would have been more convenient and healthy. Any old "fed" or "reb" will tell you he was glad to get bacon in the sos.

The "Back Number" Will Lead. Galnesville Register.

With the dissensions in the

# HOUSTON POST LETTER

(This department is intended to questions that are of general main object is to supply out of the and curious information. Question sonal interest only will not be and businers or personal addresses will kind All correspondence should be address Letter Box, care Houston Post, Os large number of questions received can not always be given promptly.)

What is a day? That is, how lost take the earth to turn once on its as how many times does it turn on it the course of a year?

The day is not, as fe commonly the time required by the earth to turn on its axis, but the interval two successive passages of the sun a meridian-that is to say, the tion clapses after the sun is seen exact in its diurnal course through the before it is again seen in that position in consequence of the earth's revolution orbit, or path round the sun, the the appearance of moving very slowly heavens in a direction from past At noon tomorrow the aun will be a tance to the east of the point in this at which it is seen at noon today, when the earth has made one come te will still have to turn four minutes before the sun can again be seen south. It requires, therefore, but three hours and fifty-six mirutes for earth to make one complete turn, and if 266% turns during the year.

Please state in your Letter Box who was author of the poem, the arst line of sie as follows: "Laugh and the world with you; weep and you weep alone," give the origin of "Darby and Joan," plied to any old-fashioned or affect Mrs. J. 8

1. Ella Wheeler Wilcox. 2. Darby and were a married couple, said to have more than a century ago, in the vil Healaugh, in the West Riding of Yers and were celebrated for their long life Couple," which has been attributed to Pro-What is the corjugal felicity. They are the

What is the principal safeguard the bot England employs to prevent the cas felting of its notes?

The safeguard on which the Bank of h land relies to thwart the effort of feiters is the quality of its paper, while made in the bank factory, of a superior ity of linen rage and with a water me counterfeiters have never bem able to ate so as to deceive the expect hand notes. Otherwise the Bank of Englant is very plain, the engraving having per that elaborate detail which characterise notes of American banks.

Can a last will or testament be made out a lawyer's aid, and must the we signed by one or two witnesses?

The services of a lawyer are not als ly necessary in drawing up the last will estament of an individual, though for uttal reasons it is much better to em attorney familiar with legal terms to cute the document. It must be sig two witnesses, who may be either me female, the main restriction being they should have no pecuniary interest pectation from the document.

1. What is the largest cotton market world? 2. What is the most cotton He received during any one week this a . What is the greatest number of Houston handled in any one day this a

1. Port market, Liverpool; interior mi Houston. 2. For the week ending on 15, 1898, the receipts were 152,953 bales, broke all records. 2. 53,804 bales recei October 15.

illow many law schools are there in country? Please give the number of pa sors and students,

In 1997 there were in this country three schools of law, with 362 professor tutors and 31% students. This was a st Or. decrease from the figures of the pre-

after a newly married couple origin It is said to have originated it Jewish custom of handing a shoe to the chaser of land on the completion of th tract. Mention is made of this in th of Ruth, Iv. 7

Can Admiral Dewsy he removed for command by the president? He cap. The president is commi chief of the army and navy of the

Please state in your next Sunday? the real direction of the Philippines Texas—east or west—and settle a confidence. East.

Please publish in Sunday's issue argest cities in the State of Te oppulation. Houston, 71,000; San Autonio, las, 65,000.

Please give the correct pronuncing meaning of the word Mysparian; We have been unable to find the what connection was it used? Do the officers of the governor's ceive a salary? If so how much and with

They do not receive a salary. Has Rhode Island two capitals now! Yes; Newport and Providence.

DEWEY'S HEALTH.

Everybody is hoping that Dewer prove just sick enough to come home give 75,000,000 people a chance to tell his face what they think of his York Journal. It will be an easy matter to have

partment surgeon to make a thorough amination of the admiral, and thes. condition be found to be such as and rest and recuperation, for welfare and that of the Nation, to be ordered home. North American. No doubt Dewey knows better

one else how terribly near to the brei point his life is strained. But I not the man to ask to be recalled from post of duty. He is not the man even wish to be recalled. He is the hero to recall and grant of the state of for his country,-New York Herald.

The reports from Manila as to the of Admiral Dewey are very disquis He ought to be relieved. We are for the Philippines in money, if the sacrifice of the National culminate in the death of the mannew holds the first place in the lies countrymen the war would end. began, with a tragedy of the sea full rible pathos.—Philadelphia Record. But if Admiral Dowey should co eave in good hands the Manile st

be possible to save him husiastic greetings of Amer on our coast or among our place of sojourn by a cordon and marines and "keep off" ever of his immediate family for a